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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: George N. P. Hansen, *et al.*
Application No.: 10/767,703
Filed: January 29, 2004
For: TELESCOPIC GUARD FOR COUPLED SHAFTS
Group Art Unit: 3679
Examiner: Gregory J. Binda
Confirmation No.: 5648
Att'y. Docket: 950222.00003

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed on October 13, 2005, please enter into the record of the above application the following amendment:

1. Page 2 contains a summary of a January 12, 2005 telephone interview.
2. Page 3 contains a discussion of proposed drawing changes.
3. Pages 4-7 contain claim amendments.
4. Pages 8-10 contain remarks.

INTERVIEW SUMMARY:

On January 12, 2005, the undersigned and Examiner Binda conducted a telephone interview in which the issues raised in paragraphs 5 and 6 on pages 2 and 3 of the above Office action were discussed. It was discussed that amendments to claims 8 and 17 would address the issues and place claims 8 – 10, 17, and 18 in condition for allowance. The undersigned agreed to present Examiner Binda with a set of claims amended in this manner. Examiner Binda indicated that the amendment to claim 8 would not affect the determination that claims 8 and 9 are in condition for allowance.